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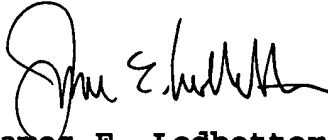
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Pursuant to Rules 56 and 99, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO 1449. All of these references were cited in a Supplementary European Search Report dated June 22, 2006 (copy attached).

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Respectfully submitted,



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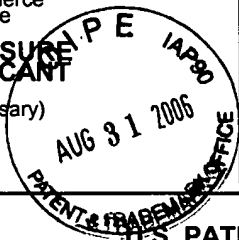
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